Murder: Police Quiz Ogun Commissioner, Council Boss, Others

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AN Ogun State commissioner, a local government chairman and four others have been quizzed by men of the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) of the Nigeria Police from Lagos over alleged murder.

A top police source at the headquarters hinted on Thursday that the interrogation was conducted on Tuesday following a petition linking them to the murder case.

The action was sequel to the murder of one Abiodun Oyewole on October 14, 2009 in a suburb of Ota Local Government Council area of the state.

The late Oyewole was said to be a cousin to an ousted commissioner in the state.

As at press time on Thursday, detectives from Onikan, Lagos, joined their colleagues at the Oke-Ilewo area office of Zone 11 in Abeokuta to con-

duct a search on the houses of the arrested politicians.

Oyewole was allegedly hacked down by persons suspected to be a gang belonging to a factional group in the ruling Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) in the council area.

Daily Independent findings revealed that the commissioner, the council boss and the other four suspects were arrested at various locations in Abeokuta and Ota.

Commissioner of Police in

the state, Hashimu Argungu, declined comments on the incident, noting that "the police higher authorities had taken over the matter, so we are no longer handling the case here in Ogun State."

It will be recalled that intra-party-killing has become a pass time of the PDP in Ogun State, as two persons were equally killed in the aftermath of the dissolution of the Ijebu North Council Executive by Governor Gbenga Daniel sometimes in 2008.